

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a nominations hearing on "Homeland Defense" on Tuesday, September 25, 2001, at 11 a.m., in Dirksen 106.

Witness list: The Honorable John Ashcroft, United States Attorney General.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE PUBLIC LANDS AND FORESTS

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, September 25, at 3:15 p.m., to conduct an oversight hearing. The subcommittee will receive testimony on the effectiveness of the National Fire Plan in the 2001 fire season, including fuel reduction initiatives, and to examine the 10-Year Comprehensive Strategy for Reducing Wildland Fire Risks to Communities and the Environment that was recently agreed to by the Western Governors' Association, Secretary of the Interior Gale Norton and Secretary of Agriculture Ann Veneman.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. ALLARD. On behalf of Senator WARNER, I ask unanimous consent David Kirk, a military fellow in his office, be granted floor privileges for the duration of the Senate's debate on Senate bill 1438, the Department of Defense authorization bill for fiscal year 2002.

And also I ask unanimous consent that Lon Pribble, a national defense fellow in my office, have floor privileges during the entire debate of the national defense authorization bill fiscal year 2002.

And on behalf of Senator ENSIGN, I ask unanimous consent to grant floor privileges to his military legislative fellow, Ms. Gemma Meloni, for the duration of debate on the Defense authorization bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Josh Silverman, a fellow in my office, be granted floor privileges during the consideration of S. 1438.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Mr. Andrew Rumbaugh, a fellow in Senator BILL NELSON's office, be granted the privilege of the floor during consideration of this bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

LEE H. HAMILTON FEDERAL BUILDING AND U.S. COURTHOUSE

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 1583 just received from the House.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill [H.R. 1583] to designate the Federal Building and United States Courthouse located at 121 West Spring Street in New Albany, Indiana, as the "Lee Hamilton Federal Building and United States Courthouse."

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read the third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, that any statements relating thereto be printed in the RECORD, with no intervening action or debate.

Madam President, before you rule, this is a courthouse to be named for Lee Hamilton. I had the pleasure of serving with him in the House of Representatives on the Foreign Affairs Committee. He is such a fine man. He served 25 or 28 years in the House. He retired. He is still heavily involved in America's foreign policy. He is one fine person, a great representative of what a person who serves the public should be.

I extend my appreciation to the committees of jurisdiction in the Congress for making this possible for a very fine person, Lee Hamilton.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 1583) was read the third time and passed.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2001

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until the hour of 9:30 tomorrow morning, Wednesday, September 26. I further ask that on Wednesday, following the prayer and the pledge, the Journal of the proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and there be a period for morning business until 10 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 5 minutes each, with the following exceptions: Senator DASCHLE or designee, 15 minutes; Senator LOTT or designee, 15 minutes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. REID. So tomorrow the Senate will convene at 9:30 a.m. with morning business until 10 a.m. The majority leader asked me to announce that he expects us to consider the Military Construction Appropriations Act. Both

Senators DASCHLE and LOTT believe this bill should move very quickly. We hope that we can complete this bill in a very short period of time. Rollcall votes are possible tomorrow until 2 p.m.

ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. REID. Madam President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that following the statement by Senator BROWNBACK, the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. REID. Madam President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. BROWNBACK. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. BROWNBACK. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent to speak for up to 10 minutes as in morning business.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The Senator from Kansas is recognized.

Mr. BROWNBACK. I thank the Chair.

(The remarks of Mr. BROWNBACK pertaining to the introduction of S. 1465 are printed in today's RECORD under "Statements on Introduced Bills and Joint Resolutions.")

Mr. BROWNBACK. Madam President, I yield the floor.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate stands in adjournment until 9:30 a.m. tomorrow.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 7:49 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, September 26, 2001, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate September 25, 2001:

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

EVERET BECKNER, OF NEW MEXICO, TO BE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR FOR DEFENSE PROGRAMS, NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, VICE MADELYN R. CREEDON, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MARY L. WALKER, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE, VICE JEH CHARLES JOHNSON.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

STEVEN A. WILLIAMS, OF KANSAS, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, VICE JAMIE RAPPAPORT CLARK.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

HAROLD DAUB, OF NEBRASKA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADVISORY BOARD FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 30, 2006, VICE MARK A. WEINBERGER, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WANDA L. NESBITT, OF PENNSYLVANIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF